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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action of May 13, 2005 with respect to a final Office Action of December 28, 2005 having a shortened statutory period set to expire on March 28, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

A petition for extension of time of 3 months through June 28, 2005 is enclosed.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

The **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.